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Elizabeth Young
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology
6603 West Broad Street
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RE: Regulations Governing the Practice of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology

Dear Ms. Young:

I have reviewed the amendments to regulations of the Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology relating to issuance of provisional licenses. The amended regulations are constitutional and in conformity with statutory provisions of Chapter 97 of the 2006 Acts of the Assembly, which mandates that the board promulgate regulations to implement provisions of the act within 280 days of enactment.

The "emergency situation" which exists is specified in §2.2-4011 of the Code of Virginia as one in which the agency is required by statutory law to have a regulation in effect within 280 days from the enactment of the law. Having satisfied all legal requirements, you may proceed to take the necessary steps to promulgate this emergency regulation in accordance with the requirements of the Administrative Process Act.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. E. Kotvas".

Jack Edward Kotvas
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c: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator
Department of Health Professions